



## COMMANDING GENERAL'S POLICY STATEMENT ON SAFETY



The 3d Marine Division has the unique mission of being deployed overseas, ready to engage in combat while actively engaging with Allies and partnered nations throughout the Pacific. To complete our mission, we must keep safety in mind in order to protect our most valuable assets - Marines, Sailors, and civilian Marines.

Proactive and engaged leadership within the chain of command is essential to the safe execution of our mission. Personnel at all levels must correct unsafe practices and set conditions to guard against any mishaps. Any loss due to a safety mishap is detrimental to the Fighting Third's combat readiness. I task everyone within the 3d Marine Division as a "safety officer."

We protect our force with proper utilization of Operational Risk Management (ORM) by identifying potential mishaps before they occur. Properly executed risk management will ensure mission accomplishment and prevent needless injuries or loss of life. Leaders at all levels need to apply ORM in operations of all scales, as well as in each day-to-day activity. No loss of life or asset is acceptable because of complacency.

I charge every commander in the 3d Marine Division to have a formal Force Preservation Program that assists leaders to foster a climate that encourages the identification of potential and existing behavior health hazards, and to take action to correct deficiencies. Proactive actions will save lives, ensure force readiness, and ensure the future success of our Marines and Sailors.

We will remain vigilant to protect our personnel from safety mishaps, both on and off duty. Adhering to Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and appropriate orders will reinforce our efforts to accomplish the mission and protect our personnel and equipment. Preserving the force is a top priority in the 3d Marine Division.

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